Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Martin J. Kendrick's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Martin Kendrick devoted more than 24 years of his life to the service of this state and country by mobilizing and deploying to Southwest Asia in support of Operations Desert Shield/Storm, and displayed outstanding leadership and guidance as a Platoon Sergeant in the development and implementation of the South Dakota National Guard Recruit Sustainment Program; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Kendrick continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Martin J. Kendrick for more than 24 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 31, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State